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FROM:

Chief, Legislation Division
Office of Legislative Liaison

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SUBJECT: House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
(HPSCI) Draft Authorization Bill and Accompanying
Report

1. Attached at Tab A for your review and comment is H.R. 2419, the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1986, as reported out by HPSCI on 15 May 1985. Also attached at Tab B for your review is the HPSCI report accompanying H.R. 2419 which provides a section-by-section analysis of each of the provisions contained in the bill. We have been requested by HPSCI staff to provide the Agency's formal views on the attached bill and accompanying report. Earlier informal comments were provided to the Committee on a previous draft of the bill on 13 May 1985. A copy of these informal comments are attached at Tab C for your information, and can be referred to in reviewing this version of the bill.

2. The attached informal comments set forth most of the major objections to this bill earlier identified by the Agency. With respect to section 105 of the bill, which contains a prohibition on covert assistance for military operations in Nicaragua, this provision was amended after the printing of the bill attached at Tab A, and the new provision on which your comments should be based can be found on pages 7 and 8 of the Committee's report at Tab B. While you should not feel constrained to limit your comments to those set forth in the earlier 13 May letter, this letter should be used as the framework upon which any additional objections are offered. Comments which already are contained in the 13 May letter need not be repeated unless you either disagree with a stated argument or wish to strengthen or embellish it. Additional suggestions on matters not covered by the letter are, of course, most welcome.

3. I would appreciate receiving your comments on the attached bill and report no later than close of business, Wednesday, 22 May 1985.

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Attachments

Tab A - H.R. 2419
Tab B - HPSCI Report
Tab C - Informal Comments

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99TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2419

To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1986 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Staff, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 8, 1985

Mr. HAMILTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

A BILL

To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1986 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Staff, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That this Act may be cited as the "Intelligence Authoriza-
4 tion Act for Fiscal Year 1986".